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Upcoming Events . . .

For more information about the following events, please contact the MR/C Volunteer Program at (301) 840-2852, or e-mail us at volunteers@mcrecycles.org. All of our activities are approved for Student Service Learning.

APRIL	2nd	"Behind the Scenes" Training Classes Begin for Volunteers @ Transfer Station 7-9 p.m.
	5th	Montgomery County Month of the Young Child at Lake Forest Mall 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
	6th	HHW Collection at the Shady Grove Transfer Station 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
	17th	Nuclear Regulatory Commission 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
	22nd	Seven Locks Elementary School 9:30-11:30 a.m.
	23rd	National Naval Medical Center Main Street Festival 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
	24th	Bethesda Elementary School 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
	25th	National Naval Medical Center-Kids Day
	26th	Young Child Celebration at Westfield Shopping Town in Wheaton, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
	26th	Montgomery County Earth Day Celebration 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
MAY	27th	Rockville Science Day Noon-5:00 p.m.
	18th	Taste of Wheaton 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
	19th	Volunteer Recognition Dinner at EOB 7:00-9:00 p.m.
	19th-23rd	Recycling Awareness Week
	22nd	School Awards Dinner 6:00-7:00 p.m.
	24th	HHW Collection at Briggs Chaney Park and Ride 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



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UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

*A special message from Eileen Kao,
Recycling Outreach and Education
Coordinator for Montgomery County*

The Recycling Volunteer Program is going through some new and exciting changes! **MaryLou McQuaide** has joined the Recycling Volunteer Program, to oversee and manage the day-to-day activities of the program. In addition, MaryLou will be helping to organize and formalize the Volunteer Program, so that our program responds to the changing nature of volunteerism, which programs throughout the area that depend on volunteers are all experiencing.

In addition, MaryLou is working closely with the other staff members in the Division, who work on recycling outreach and education, so that the activities of the volunteers and the staff activities are fully coordinated, and everyone's efforts are most effective and maximized.

MaryLou has a wealth of experience in solid waste programs, much of which has been related to managing volunteer activities. MaryLou previously worked on waste reduction, recycling, hazardous materials, and composting initiatives in Iowa and New York, and has provided education and outreach on these issues to both adults and children. Most recently, MaryLou was with the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) in Silver Spring.

If you haven't already met or spoken with MaryLou, please do so. Welcome MaryLou McQuaide!



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OUR MISSION

The Montgomery County Master Recycler/Composter Volunteer Program encourages environmental stewardship through its use of volunteers to provide County residents with public outreach on waste prevention, reuse and recycling. In educating themselves and others, MR/C volunteers help the County reach its goal of 50% recycling.

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VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DINNER

As a thank you to the volunteers in our program a special dinner reception will be held in the spring on **Monday, May 19th** from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Executive Office Building, 101 Monroe Street, Rockville, Maryland.

This is our opportunity to thank the volunteers who selflessly dedicate their time, energy, effort and expertise to assist the County in reaching its goal of recycling 50%.



This dinner will allow us to recognize those volunteers who have given their all over the last year.

We realize there are other causes out there and we appreciate you choosing us as your volunteer organization.

Dinner will be followed by a short recognition ceremony. Come, enjoy some commaderie and a great meal with fellow volunteers. Let's enjoy each other's company.

MaryLou McQuaide
Editor

Claire Agoglia
Assistant Editor

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BLOCK CAPTAINS WANTED FOR THE SPRINGTIME!

We need your help educating your neighbors about RECYCLING.

Do you know someone that complains their trash isn't picked up? Or their recycling bin isn't emptied? These people are in need of your assistance.

Become a Block Captain and meet and greet your neighbors. Chat about what they can and can't recycle in the county. Help show them the correct way to put out mixed paper, cardboard, scrap metal and other materials for curbside pickup.

Block Captains ARE NOT recycling police. They are a community resource that offers friendly advice and information on how things should be properly set out for curbside collection.

If you have an outgoing personality and enjoy walking, give the office a call at (301) 840-2852. Block Captains are a great way to get the recycling message out.



WHERE ARE WE GOING?

Another year has come and gone affording the Volunteer Program the opportunity to evaluate where it needs to be in the future. In order to meet the needs of your community some critical points need to be addressed. Our goals for the future are to expand the volunteer base, i.e., get more involvement from Business/Industry volunteers, create more opportunities appropriate for families, and recruit more students to assist us. In order to assure that we are meeting our Program's needs as well as those of our volunteers, flexibility will be the key to our future. We will concentrate in the New Year on providing more opportunities for group activities, consider venues that will give us the most one-on-one exposure with the public and better balance the schedules of volunteers and their community as a whole.

